

Mr. McMahon moved to amend it by striking out the words "the attorney-general of this state," to insert "the committee of grievances and courts of justice."

Mr. Carroll moved for a division of the question, and it was put on striking out? Resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. McMahon moved to refer the order to the 1st of June? Resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Howard presents a petition from sundry persons, praying to be incorporated for the purpose of insuring houses, and other property, from loss by fire; referred to Messrs. Howard, Tyson and Millard.

Mr. Lantz presents a petition from Alexander Robertson, of Allegany county, praying an allowance of money paid in the treasury of the western shore as caution money in part for land intended to be secured in Allegany county; referred to Messrs. Lantz, McMahon and Klipstine.

Mr. Merrick presents a petition from Daniel Schnebly of Washington county, praying that he may be allowed the amount of certain small prize tickets in the state lottery, which tickets were not presented for payment within the time limited by law; referred to Messrs. Merrick, Bowles and White.

Mr. Barnes presents a memorial from sundry inhabitants of Frederick and Washington counties, praying that a company may be incorporated to make a turnpike road from Frederick-town to Harper's Ferry; referred to Messrs. Barnes, Cromwell, Kemp, Merrick and Tyson.

On motion by Mr. Ireland, the following message was read assented to, and sent to the senate.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, January 12, 1825.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

We have appointed, on the part of this house, Messrs. Ireland, Boon, Bowles, Lansdale, Turner, Bennett and Wilson, to act in conjunction with such gentlemen as may be named by your house, as a committee of both houses for the purpose of comparing and examining the engrossed bills.

By order,

JOHN BREWER, Clk.

The report of the trustees of West Nottingham Academy, was read and referred to the committee on similar subjects.

The speaker laid before the house a communication from the executive, relative to fuel; referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr. Hodges presents a petition from Elizabeth Worton, of Kent county, for support; referred to the committee on similar subjects.

On motion by Mr. Maxcy the following order was read and assented to

Whereas the state agent for the western shore has stated in his second report, that the debts due to the state are again beginning to accumulate, and has suggested, that additional measures might, with advantage to the public, be adopted to enforce and secure greater punctuality in the payments into the treasury:

And whereas from the experience said agent has had for the three last years, he may be able to give useful information on this important subject, therefore, Ordered, That the state agent for the western shore be requested to report to this house what further measures are, in his opinion, expedient to insure the speedy collection of the public revenue.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill to empower the levy court of Dorchester county to appoint a bailiff for the town of Vienna in said county. The bill for the relief of George Dashiell, late sheriff of Somerset county, and Beacham Ackworth, John Fowler, and Benjamin Dashiell, his securities. The bill to change the name of Thomas Gorrell, of Hannah, and the bill to change the name of John Vaine; and the bill for the relief of Mary Cheezum, of Caroline county, severally endorsed "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed.

The resolution in favour of Charles Jones, endorsed "assented to." And the following message:

BY THE SENATE, January 11, 1825.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

We have received your message, concurring in a proposition from this house to appoint a committee of conference on the bill to ascertain and fix the salary of the clerk of the council, and have appointed Messrs. Tilghman, Bowie and Thomas, to unite with the gentlemen from your body.

By order,

WM KILTY, Clk.

On motion by Mr. McMahon, the following message was read, assented to, and sent to the senate:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, Jan 12, 1825.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

Before the late recess, we forwarded to your honourable body, a message in reply to one received from your house, proposing the appointment of a committee of conference to contract for the printing of the journals of the two houses. Both in that message and the original message of this house, we have omitted the mention of the terms of the contract for this purpose previously formed by our committee of claims, under our order; and as this information cannot but be acceptable to you, inasmuch as you have ultimately to pass upon this contract, we beg leave to inform you, that the contractor, under that contract, Mr. Jonas Green, has stipulated to print the daily journal, and fourteen hundred copies of the Votes and Proceedings of the present session, for the sum of 800 dollars. This house, whilst it can find no cause for self accusation, nor impute to itself any design to impugn any of your prerogatives, cannot but regret the misunderstanding which appears, at present, to prevail between the two houses on this subject, and the yet more unfortunate consequence resulting from it—the want of the daily journals of your house. With the same spirit of comity and respect for your privileges, which has actuated us throughout this controversy, we again venture to hint a hope, that you will concur with us in carrying this contract into effect, and put us in possession of your daily proceedings, by placing them in the hands of the gentlemen with whom the contract has been formed.

Mr. Tingle reports a bill, entitled, An act supplementary to the act, entitled, An act relating to the treasurers of the state on the eastern and western shore, the clerks of the court of appeals, the clerks of the several county courts, the clerk of the city court of Baltimore, the register in chancery, and the registers of wills in the several counties in this state.

Mr. Howard reports a bill, entitled, An act to incorporate the United Beneficial Society in Baltimore.